

## **Remarks**

- Claims 5 and 7 are canceled.

Claims 1, 11, 12, 19 and 24 are currently amended.

New claim 29 is added.

Claims 8, 9, 13-16, 27 and 28 are withdrawn.

Claims 1-4, 6, 10-12, 17 and 19-25 are now under consideration.

## **Amendments to the Specification**

The specification is amended from the paragraph bridging pages 4 and 5 through the end of page 5.

The German term “oder” is replaced with “or”.

The definition of  $R_0$  is re-worded. Hydrogen is not aromatic or aliphatic.

The unnecessary term “bzw.” is deleted. It is a German abbreviation for “respectively”.

## **Amendments to the Claims**

Claim 11 (one instance) and claim 12 (two instances) are amended to replace inadvertant periods with commas.

Claim 19 is amended to repair Markush language.

Claim 24 is amended to have proper antecedent basis.

New claim 29 is added to re-capture the subject matter deleted from claim 24. Support for new claim 29 is found in original claims 20 and 24.

Applicants note that new claim 29 depends from a withdrawn claim.

Claim 1 is amended to incorporate the limitations of claims 5 and 7. A portion of the proviso is deleted as unnecessary.

Claim 1 is also amended to replace "tert.butyl" with "tert-butyl" (second to last line).

No new matter is added as a result of any of the present amendments.

## **Abstract**

A copy of the abstract is required. The abstract is attached herewith. It is identical to the abstract of the published application, WO 01/02345 (also attached herewith).

## **Claim Rejections**

The Examiner states that claims 5 and 7 are allowable if rewritten in independent form.

This Applicants now do. Claim 1 now contains the limitations of both original claims 5 and 7.

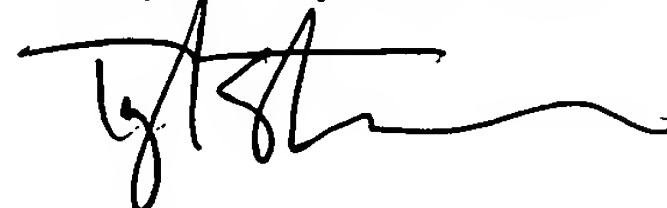
All claims under consideration depend directly or indirectly from claim 1.

Applicants submit that in light of the present amendments, that each of the claim rejections under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, 35 USC 102(b), and 35 USC 103(a) are addressed and are overcome.

The Examiner is kindly requested to reconsider and to withdraw the present rejections.

Applicants submit that the claims under consideration are now in condition for allowance and respectfully request that they be found allowable.

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